

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;  
Robert G. Taub, Vice Chairman;  
Mark Acton;  
Tony Hammond; and  
Nanci E. Langley

Modification of Mail Classification Schedule  
Regarding Parcel Select Nonpresort

Docket No. MC2013-29

NOTICE AND ORDER CONCERNING MINOR CLASSIFICATION CHANGE  
RELATED TO PARCEL SELECT NONPRESORT  
AND REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

(Issued January 9, 2013)

*Introduction.* The Commission hereby provides notice, pursuant to 39 CFR 3020.92, that the Postal Service has filed notice of a minor classification change related to Parcel Select Nonpresort.<sup>1</sup> The Notice was filed on January 8, 2013 pursuant to 39 CFR 3020.90 and 3020.91. In addition to the Notice, the Postal Service filed proposed revisions to the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS). *Id.* Attachment A.

*MCS change.* The Postal Service proposes to amend the MCS to change Parcel Select's minimum volume requirements for nonpresort mailers. Notice at 1.

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<sup>1</sup> Notice of the United States Postal Service of Minor Classification Changes Related to Parcel Select Nonpresort, January 8, 2013 (Notice).

Specifically, the proposed new classification language will change the current volume requirement from 50 pieces per mailing to 50 pieces or 50 pounds per mailing for those mailers not making payments by PC Postage. The Postal Service asserts that the change will permit commercial mailers, who meet the new weight requirement, to mail fewer than 50 pieces under certain conditions. The Postal Service states that the change was requested by manifest mailers seeking to send certain residual mailpieces by Parcel Select. *Id.* The Postal Service requests that the Commission approve the changes by January 27, 2013 so that the changes can take effect in conjunction with the upcoming price changes.

*Related procedural matters.* The Commission has posted the Notice on its website at <http://www.prc.gov>. Interested persons are encouraged to review the Notice and Attachment. The Commission invites comments on matters raised by the Notice, including the consistency of the change with 39 U.S.C. §§ 3632, 3633, 3642 and the Commission's implementing regulations. The due date for comments is January 18, 2013.

The Commission appoints James F. Callow to serve as Public Representative in this proceeding.

*Supplemental information.* To clarify the record, the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. Answers should be provided to individual questions as soon as they are developed, but no later than January 14, 2013.

1. In its Notice, the Postal Service states that the proposed change will permit certain mailers to mail fewer than 50 Parcel Select Nonpresort pieces "under certain conditions contained in the Domestic Mail Manual." Please identify and describe those conditions. Notice, Attachment A.
2. Absent the proposed change in the minimum volume requirement for Parcel Select Nonpresort, please identify and describe the current mailing options for mailers not meeting the current minimum Parcel Select volume requirement.

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2013-29 to consider the matters raised by the Notice.
2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. § 505, James F. Callow is appointed to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding.
3. Comments by interested persons are due by January 18, 2013.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove  
Secretary